

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.19606 of 2018

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Veena Devi w/o Shri Raj Kumar Poddar Ward No. 22, Paijabapar, P.O. P.S. -
Barh, District - Patna.

... .. Petitioner/s

Versus

1. The State Of Bihar through the District Magistrate, Patna.
2. The Bihar State Board of Religious Trusts, Vidyapati Marg, Patna through its Chairman.
3. The Principal Secretary, Department of Tourism, Bihar at Patna.
4. The Additional Secretary, Department of Tourism, Bihar at Patna.
5. The Superintendent of Police, Patna.
6. The Sub Divisional Officer, Barh.
7. The Superintendent of Police Traffic, Patna.
8. Nagar Parishad, Barh through its Chairman.
9. The Circle Officer, Barh.
10. The Temple Trust Committee of Shri Umanath Temple through its President, Barh.

... .. Respondent/s

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Appearance :

For the Petitioner/s : Mr.Sanchay Srivastava
For the Respondent/s : Mr.Anil Kr.Sinha -Gal

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE

and

HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE ANIL KUMAR UPADHYAY

ORAL ORDER

(Per: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE)

2 06-01-2020 The petition filed on 29.09.2018 is listed for hearing
for the first time today before the Court.

Heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned
counsel for the respondents.

Petitioner has prayed for the following reliefs:

“(i) For issuance of an appropriate writ, order,
direction in the nature of mandamus for a direction



to the concerned respondents particularly to the respondent nos. 1 and 9 to remove the illegal encroachment from the land which belongs to Shri Umanath Temple, Barh.

(ii) For issuance of an appropriate writ, order, direction in the nature of mandamus for a direction to the concerned respondents to properly manage the funds of the aforesaid temple and to do away with severe financial irregularities which is taking place;

(iii) For issuance of an appropriate writ, order, direction in the nature of mandamus to the concerned respondents for beautification and maintenance of the structure and premises of the said temple as the same is an important religious place for the local population;

(iv) And for issuance of any other relief or relief(s) for which the petitioner is entitled for.”

After the matter was heard for some time, learned counsel for the petitioner submits that petitioner shall be content if a direction is issued to the concerned respondents to consider and decide the representation, which the petitioner shall be making afresh within a period of four weeks from today.

Learned counsel for the State states that upon receipt of such request, if any, the same shall be dealt with in accordance with law, expeditiously and positively within a period of three months from the date of receipt thereof.



Equally, liberty is reserved to the petitioner to take recourse to such alternative remedies as are otherwise available in accordance with law.

We are hopeful that as and when petitioner takes recourse to such remedies, as are otherwise available in law, before the appropriate forum, the same shall be dealt with, in accordance with law and with reasonable dispatch.

The petition stands disposed of in the aforesaid terms.

(Sanjay Karol, CJ)

(Anil Kumar Upadhyay, J)

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